

YCC 2013

Youth Conservation Corp

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Overview

- What is Youth Conservation Corp
- Maintenance Division
- Exotic Plant Management Team
- Geographic Information System
- Administration
- Interpretation
- National Public Lands Day
- Skills we learned
- Lessons we learned
- Appreciation for the Park
- Orientation
- Summary
- End



What is YCC?

- Specializes in educating young teenagers about the park
- Work with different divisions
- Help restore and protect the park
- Introduces teens to the park service



Maintenance Division

What we did:

- Painting
- Trail Work
- Constructed an amphitheater
- Kendesnii camping trip

What we learned:

- How to paint
- How to grub trails
- How to put benches together
- Build a bridge
- Restore trails



Exotic Plant Management Team

What we did:

- Pulled weeds
- Planted native plants

What we learned:

- What invasive plants are
- How to transplant plants



Geographic Information Systems

What we did:

- Scavenger hunt

What we learned:

- How to operate a Global Positioning System (GPS)
- How to geocache



Rambler Mine Trail Map



Administration

What we did:

- Answered front desk phone
- Shred papers
- Brochure, power point, etc.



What we learned:

- How to answer phones professionally
- How to operate office equipment



Interpretation

What we did:

- Went on guided walks
- Answered tourist's questions
- Introduce the park film
- Helped in the gift shop

What we learned:

- How to talk professionally with the public
- How to do introductions of a program



National Public Lands Day

- We helped clean up trash in Chitina down by the bridge and down by the water.



Skills We Learned:

- **What its like to have a real job**
- **Show up to work on time**
- **Make sure you wear proper gear**
- **Get a taste of the real world**
- **Work ethics**
- **The importance of safety**
- **The importance of preserving and protecting the park for future generations**

We believe these skills will stay with us in the future.

Appreciation for the Park

- **Animals**
- **Mountains**
- **Size of the park**
- **What the park represents and stands for**



Orientation

Places we visited:

- Anchorage
- Fairbanks
- Chicken
- Nenana
- Tok
- Kennicott
- Seward

We visited other parks and learned a lot about them and learned about a lot of other places in Alaska. We went on a flight tour, went rafting, climbed a glacier, went on a wildlife cruise, etc...



Summary

The different divisions we worked with in the park include:

- Resources
- Administration
- Interpretation
- Maintenance

We got an introduction to the park, as well as what the park stands for.

Lessons We Learned

- **While fishing, don't get the hook caught in your lip or pants. (Gavin and Sean)**
- **While pretending to jump off a cliff, don't actually fall. (Gavin)**
- **There are no seatbelts in the bed of a pickup truck. (Fraser)**
- **And remember, don't find yourself stuck in a mud hole. (Zoey)**





Conclusion

- Overall this summer we learned a lot while having fun doing it.

Questions and Answers:

